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Cayce Historical Museum Complex Commission Meeting – April 1, 2014

Members present: Ann Diamond, AG Dantzler, Marion Hutson, Archie Moore,
Lynn Summer, and Alice Brooks Executive Director: Leo Redmond

Absent: Mary Sharpe (excused), Cyndy Peake (excused), Scott Morgan

- Commission Vice Chairperson Ann Diamond called the meeting to order.
- Commissioner Hutson offered the invocation.
- Commissioner Dantzler moved that the minutes from the March, 2014 meeting be approved. Commissioner Moore seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
- Museum members collectively offered prayers for Chairman Sharpe and her family.
- Vice Chairman Diamond called on Director Redmond for his report:
 - Two special events highlighted last month: a presentation to the Lexington Rotary Club and an appearance at the very popular and well-attended "Antiques Roadshow" activity sponsored by the Joy Club at Trinity Baptist Church. Both events were well-received, the latter covered by the Lexington Chronicle.
 - Redmond displayed two shards of historic Edgefield pottery – one bearing a thumbprint. The unique tobacco-juice infused glaze helps make this pottery so spectacular and since intact pieces are virtually impossible to locate, even broken shards are considered significant and valuable finds.
 - The quandary over the historic Cemetery at the Cayce Quarry has been discussed by Museum Commission members, City officials, and interested Cayce residents for several years. The cemetery is situated on land now owned by Martin Marietta. The issue is that the cemetery, although undisturbed at present, cannot be accessed on a routine basis – even by families of deceased buried there. Martin Marietta needs the surrounding property (easement) for its business.
 - A recent Museum visitor, Warren D. Arthur – a former SC state senator, requested Redmond's assistance in visiting the cemetery. He also expressed interest in working with Museum staff and Commission members, as well as City officials, in working out a viable solution to the cemetery issue with Martin Marietta. A possible solution could be that the Museum assume ownership of the cemetery itself, overseeing its upkeep and protection, while Martin Marietta retains rights to the easement.
 - General discussion of Cayce's 100 year anniversary plans ensued:
 - Commission Chair Mary Sharpe and Redmond attended the monthly meeting of the City's Special Events Committee on March 13th. They outlined the Museum's tentative plans to celebrate the City's 100th year. The Special Events Committee seemed to like plans thus far and agreed to cooperate in whatever manner possible. Events Committee member Julie Isom, in fact, agreed to head up the

commemorative tee shirt project as described by Commissioner Sharpe. Commission members expressed their gratitude.

- Since there was concern by several Commission members as well as City officials and Events Committee members that any Saturday events in the Fall would have to compete with college football games, Commissioners Summer and Brooks proposed and seconded, respectively, that the date of our centerpiece event be changed. **Commissioners voted to change the official date of the Time Capsule event from Saturday, September 6, to Sunday, September 7.** This makes good sense because September 7th is the actual anniversary of the time capsule's original burial event 25 years ago. Reminder: another time capsule will be buried during this event, so Commissioners and City officials should be planning what should be contained.
 - The September 7th event will also cap a weekend of anniversary activities beginning Friday evening, September 5th. The City is planning a Festival on the grounds of the Guignard property (soon to be the home of Cayce City Hall). The Festival will feature food vendors and a band and will be a wonderful way to kick-off and draw attention to additional anniversary activities.
 - Other suggested activities during that month might include a tour of the oldest churches in Cayce, a tour of Brookland-Cayce High School, and a Cayce Woman's Club event with maps of walking and driving tours of historic sites people might want to visit.
 - The Native American event in October and Christmas Traditions in December will also be highlights of the City's 100th anniversary.
- Commissioners authorized Redmond to immediately commission a sign proclaiming the 100th anniversary, which would be displayed near the Welcome to Cayce sign on Knox-Abbott Drive.
- Commissioners also reminded Redmond that he had been authorized to proceed with a commemorative coin at a previous meeting. He has identified several acceptable vendors and will now finalize the design, featuring Emily Geiger in some fashion. The coin's design can be used as a City of Cayce seal after the anniversary events.
- Commissioners are still attempting to identify the oldest living person(s) born in Cayce to honor during anniversary events. Commissioners Dantzler, Summer, and Moore have candidates and are trying to schedule now.
 - Redmond concluded his report with budget news. He has presented a preliminary budget to City Officials, the Mayor, and City Council and feels it was well-received. It was noted that some City Council members were so complimentary that it was suggested that staff

might include some additional line item requests for funds if deemed necessary for success.

- There being no further business, Commissioner Summer moved that the meeting be adjourned and Commissioner Hutson seconded. The motion carried unanimously. The next meeting of the Museum Commission will be Tuesday, May 6, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

Alice Brooks
Secretary, Board of Commissioners

CC: Museum Commission Chair Mary Love Sharpe and Museum Complex Commissioners
Leo Redmond, Museum Complex Director
City of Cayce Mayor and City Council Members
City of Cayce Manager and other officials as required